CHAPTER 332

SOLDIERS' BONUS

H. F. 401.

AN ACT authorizing the state of Iowa to become indebted in the amount of twenty-two million dollars, and providing for the issue and sale of bonds of said state in evidence thereof, to procure funds for and pay a bonus to persons who served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time between the sixth day of April, nine-teen hundred seventeen, and the eleventh day of November, ninteen hundred eighteen, or their successors in interest, providing for a board to administer such payments, providing for an additional bonus for persons under disability, providing for the imposition, levy and collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, providing penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, providing for application of any surplus to the retirement of the indebtedness herein created, and providing for submission of this act to the people to be voted upon at the general election to be held in the year nineteen hundred twenty-two.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Bond authorization. The state of Iowa is hereby authorized to become indebted in the amount of twenty-two million dollars, (\$22,000,000.00) and in evidence thereof there shall be issued and sold negotiable coupon bonds of said state, as hereinafter provided, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid into the treasury of the state to be expended for the payment of a bonus to the persons defined in section four (4) of this act or for the benefit of such persons, as prescribed by section eight (8) of this act, and for expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act.
- SEC. 2. Bonds—terms—sale. The treasurer of the state is hereby directed to cause to be prepared negotiable coupon bonds of this state in the amount of twenty-two million dollars, (\$22,000,000) such bonds to bear interest at the rate of not to exceed five per cent per annum, which interest shall be paid semiannually. Such bonds shall be issued so that said indebtedness shall be payable in twenty equal annual installments, the last of which shall be within twenty years from date of issue. Said bonds shall be signed by the governor, under the great seal of said state, attested by the secretary of state and countersigned by the treasurer of state, and the full faith, credit and resources of the state of Iowa shall be pledged for the payment thereof. The interest coupons attached to said bonds shall bear the lithographed facsimile signatures of said officials. The treasurer of state shall sell said bonds to obtain funds to carry out the provisions of this act, and to make the payments hereinafter provided. Such bonds shall be sold at not less than the par value thereof and accrued interest thereon to the highest and most responsible bidder after advertising for a period of twenty consecutive days, Sundays excepted, in at least two daily newspapers printed in the city of Des Moines. Advertisements of sale shall recite that the treasurer of state, in his discretion, may reject any or all bids received and, in such event, he shall readvertise for bids in the form and manner above described as many times as in his judgment may be necessary to effect a satisfactory sale.
- 1 SEC. 3. Bonus fund. The proceeds of such bonds so paid into the 2 treasury of state shall constitute a bonus fund and shall be dis-

tributed to the persons entitled thereto, as hereinafter prescribed. Said twenty-two million dollars (\$22,000,000) is hereby appropriated out of said bonus fund for the purpose of carrying out the provisions this act.

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- Beneficiaries defined. Every person, male or female, in-SEC. 4. cluding army, navy, and marine corps nurses who served in the military or naval service of the United States at any time between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, and who at the time of entering into such service was a resident of the state of Iowa, and who was honorably separated or discharged from such service, or who is still in active service, or has been retired, or has been furloughed to a reserve, shall be entitled to receive from the proceeds of such bonds as a bonus, the sum of fifty cents (.50) for each day that such person was in active service, such bonus not to exceed a total sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00). No person shall be entitled to such payment or allowance, whose only service was in the students army training corps, or who received from another state a bonus or gratuity of a like nature provided for by this act, or who being in such service, received civilian pay for civilian work. No person shall be entitled to such payment or allowance who being in the military or naval service of the United States, subsequent to April 6, 1917, refused on conscientious, political or other grounds to subject himself to military discipline or to render unqualified The husband or wife, child or children, mother, father, service. sisters or brothers, in the order named and none other, of any person as defined in this section, who died while in the service or who has deceased before receiving the benefits of this act, shall be paid the sum that such deceased persons would be entitled to hereunder if such deceased person had lived.
- Application for bonus. Before receiving any sum under the provisions of this act, the applicant shall file with the clerk 3 of the district court of the county in which he or she resides or resided at the time of induction into service, or with the adjutant general, application therefor on forms provided by the adjutant general, such applications to be so filed on or before December 31, 1924; provided, that when such application is filed with the clerk of the district court it shall be the duty of said clerk to transmit said application to the adjutant general forthwith. Such application shall state facts sufficient to establish the status of such applicant within a 10 11 class as defined in section four (4) of this act, and shall be duly veri-12 fied.
 - SEC. 6. False statements. Whoever knowingly makes a false statement, oral or written, relating to a material fact in supporting a claim under the provisions of this act, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00), or be imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, and shall forfeit all benefits he or she might have been entitled to under this act.
 - SEC. 7. Bonus board—duties—payment of claims—assign-1 ments. There is hereby created a board to be known as the "bonus 2 board" to consist of the state auditor, the state treasurer, the ad-3 jutant general and the adjutant of the Iowa department of the Ameri-

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can Legion. It shall be the duty of said board to examine into such applications and make any other examination necessary to estab-5 lish facts, and approve or disapprove the same. Whenever any such application is approved by said board, it shall be the duty of the adjutant general to prepare a voucher and transmit the same to the 8 state auditor; said auditor shall issue a warrant for the amount .9 stated therein, and the state treasurer shall pay such warrant out 10 of said bonus fund. No assignment of any right or claim to bene-11 12 fits hereunder made prior to the issuance of the state auditor's warrant herein provided for, shall be valid, and any transfer or attempt 13 14 to transfer any such right or claim or any part thereof by any bene-15 ficiary prior to the issuance of such warrant and the acquiring or 16 attempting to acquire by any other person of any interest in or 17 title to such claim prior to the issuance of such warrant, shall be a misdemeanor and punishable as such. 18

- SEC. 8. Disability fund. After the payment of all approved claims and expenses of administration of the board herein created, all funds remaining in the hands of the bonus board, after December 31, 1924, not in excess of two million dollars, (\$2,000,000.00) shall constitute an additional bonus to be administered by the bonus board for the amelioration of the condition of residents of this state within the classes as defined in section four (4) of this act, who are suffering from disability. All funds remaining in the hands of the bonus board after December 31, 1924, in excess of the two million dollars (\$2,000,000.00) disability fund, shall be applied to the payment of the debt herein created.
- SEC. 9. Administration expense—bonds of assistants. The bonus board is hereby empowered to employ such assistants and to incur such other expenses as may be necessary for the administration and carrying out of the provisions of this act; and the funds necessary for such administration and carrying out of the provisions of this act shall be expended from said bonus fund; such assistants as said board may determine shall give bond in such amount as may be fixed by said board, and shall, whenever practicable, be persons within the classes as defined in section four (4) of this act.
 - SEC. 10. Exemptions. All payments and allowances made under this act shall be exempt from all taxation, and from levy and sale on execution, and all bonds issued hereunder shall be exempt from taxation.
 - SEC. 11. Annual board levy. To provide for the payment of the principal of said bonds so issued and sold and the interest thereon as the same become due and mature, there is hereby imposed and levied upon all the taxable property within the state of Iowa, in addition to all other taxes, a direct annual tax for each of the years said bonds are outstanding, sufficient in amount to produce the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000.00) each year for twenty years for the payment of principal of said bonds and sufficient in amount to produce such additional sums as may be needed to pay the interest on such bonds. The treasurer of state shall annually certify to the executive council, prior to the time for the levy of general state taxes, the amount of money required to be raised to pay the principal and interest on such bonds maturing in

- the ensuing year and said executive council shall annually fix the rate per centum necessary to be levied and assessed upon the valuation of the taxable property within this state to produce funds sufficient to pay the principal of and interest upon such bonds as the same become payable, and such additional annual direct tax shall be levied, certified, assessed and collected at the same time and in the same manner as are taxes for general state purposes.
 - SEC. 12. Rule of construction. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, or part of this act shall for any reason be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of the act, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment has been rendered.
 - SEC. 13. Submission to people. This law, after legal publication, shall be submitted to the people of this state at the general election to be held in November, nineteen hundred twenty-two, and shall not take effect unless at such election it shall receive a majority of all votes cast for and against it. Separate ballots shall be provided for the electors which shall be in substantially the following form:

 (Notice to Voters: For an efficiency vote upon any question.)

7 (Notice to Voters: For an affirmative vote upon any question 8 submitted upon this ballot, mark a cross mark in the square after 9 the word "Yes". For a negative vote, make a similar mark in the 10 square following the word "No".)

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11 "Shall the following public measure, being an act of

12 the 39th General Assembly, be adopted and approved?" No

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1 Sec. 14. Effective date. This act shall take effect immediately 2 upon its adoption and approval at such election.

Approved March 23, A. D. 1921.

CHAPTER 333

CODE REVISION

S. F. 763.

AN ACT to provide for the preparation, printing and distribution of a supplement to the compiled code and of amendments and revisions of code commissioners' bills, and to provide for the completion of the code, to provide for the expense thereof, to make an appropriation therefor, and to fix and prescribe the duties of the committee on retrenchment and reform in relation thereto.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Supplement to compiled code. The reporter of the supreme court shall without delay prepare a supplement to the compiled code, which shall contain:
- 4 (a) A schedule or table showing each section of the compiled 5 code which has been amended or revised by any act of the thirty-